

Bishop B. T. Tanner, LL.D.
A. M. E. Church

Residence: Philadelphia, Pa.

BISHOP BENJAMIN T. TANNER has retired from active service as a member of the episcopacy, and at the age of nearly seventy-four years is living quietly in Philadelphia.

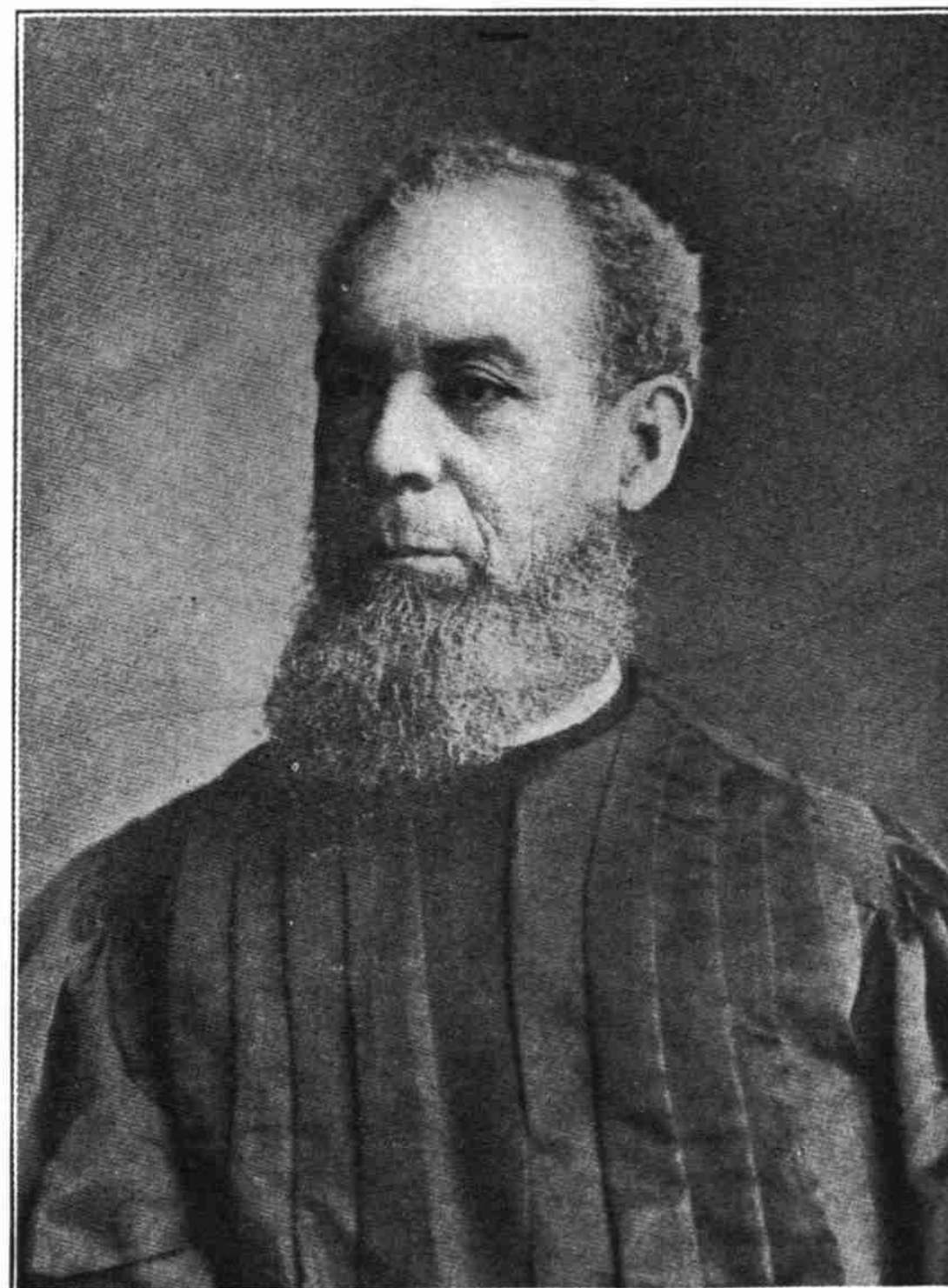
He was born in Pittsburg, Pa., Christmas Day, 1835. He studied at Avery College and at Western University, Allegheny, Pa. He was licensed to preach in 1856, but did not enter actively into the ministry until four years later. He became pastor of the 15th Street Presbyterian Church in Washington, and, while a resident of that city, organized the first school for freedmen in the United States Navy Yard, by permission of Admiral Dahlgren.

At the end of eighteen months in the pastorate of the Presbyterian Church, he returned to the African Methodist Episcopal Church, as a member of the Baltimore Conference.

He spent some time in Virginia in missionary work and organized the first church of his denomination in that state. He made rapid progress in successful work, and in 1868 was elected secretary of the General Conference.

The literary attainments of the preacher merited and received recognition, and in 1868 he was made editor of the *Christian Recorder*, the organ of the church, a position which he held until 1884, when he was elected managing editor of a new church publication, the *African Methodist Episcopal Church Review*. He was elected bishop in 1888. In 1870 Avery College gave him the honorary degree of A.M., and in 1878 Wilberforce University gave him D.D.

In addition to his pastoral and editorial work, and the care of the churches of Kansas, Missouri, Colorado, Nebraska, Wyoming, Montana, and Mexico, Bishop Tanner has contributed liberally and instructively to periodical literature, both prose and poetry, and he is the author of many works that have had a wide circulation, including: "The Negro African and American," "An Apology for African Methodism," "Outline of the History of the African Methodist Episcopal Church," "The Color of Solomon," etc.



Bishop Moses B. Salter, D.D.
A. M. E. Church

Residence: Charleston, S. C.

THE district over which Bishop Salter presides is the state of Florida.

He was born in Charleston, S. C., February 13, 1841. At the age of sixteen he was converted and became a member of the African Methodist Episcopal Church. He was licensed to preach in 1865 at Charleston, and later was admitted to the South Carolina Conference.

For several years he was pastor of some of the largest churches in South Carolina and Georgia, and in 1892, at the General Conference in the "Mother Bethel" Church, Philadelphia, was elected bishop and was assigned for his first term to his native state, with headquarters at Charleston. He is an able preacher of the evangelistic type, and is greatly beloved both by pastors and people.